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4. We now investigating ramifications Cuban participation sabotage preparations in NY area. No room for doubt that accumulation sabotage materials directed from Cuba and carried out through Cuban UN Mission. We will present evidence to COAS as soon as possible.

5. ~~Nothing is to be done until we get satisfaction on outstanding points~~
~~formal no invasion~~
 Until we get satisfaction on outstanding points
 verification and future safeguards we will not consider making/pledge. No need
 consider doing
 for IAs/EE so either.

6. Shipping controls re Cuban trade announced during informal MFM but not put into effect remain in suspense. Control measures fully staffed out but no final decision on implementation yet.

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